

Shop with a Conscience

Support Worker Rights



Support worker struggles by purchasing apparel made under fair labor conditions.

<http://www.sweatshopwatch.org/index.php?s=59>

Shop with a conscience! This gift-buying guide represents a sampling of sweatshop-free apparel products currently available. The products offered by retailers and suppliers below are made by workers organized into democratic unions or worker-owned cooperatives. They have achieved or are striving towards:

- Healthy and safe working conditions.
- Wages and benefits sufficient to support their families' basic needs.
- Treatment with respect, dignity, and justice.
- Freedoms to organize and collectively bargain and decide workplace policies.

To learn more, and search retailers by clothing type and location, visit: cleanclothesconnection.org



= union made



= co-op made

No Sweat the 1st international union made brand, carries sneakers, sox, sweats, camis, yoga pants, oxfords, khakis, PJs, jackets, caps, scarves, denim and more!

(nosweatapparel.com). Please note that an independent monitoring team raised serious concerns regarding the nature of the union at the PT Bata factory in Indonesia, which produces the No Sweat sneaker; consumers are advised that the sneakers are not necessarily made by workers represented by a democratic union.

Fuerza Unida was founded by former Levi's workers in San Antonio, Texas. They formed a unique women's sewing cooperative that makes and silk screens t-shirts, canvas bags and flags. (fuerzaunida.freesevers.com)

Global Exchange's Fair Trade stores

feature clothing, accessories, crafts, jewelry, coffee, and chocolate with fair prices for consumers and fair prices paid to producers. (store.gxonlinestore.org)

Please note that Global Exchange previously made an order with American Apparel. Because American Apparel's workers are not organized as a worker-owned co-op or a democratic union, the company does not meet the standards established for this promotion.

North Country Fair Trade

connects consumers to fair traders in Latin America. It sources from Nueva Vida and Maquiladora Dignidad y Justicia (Dignity and Justice Assembly Shop) in Mexico, which is owned and operated by an employee group, North Country Fair Trade and a Mexican non-profit. (ethicalgoods.com)

Nueva Vida is a worker owned cooperative in Nicaragua, which produces t-shirts and camisoles. Get your fix of organic clothing at (fairtradezone.jhc-cdca.org)

DeMoulin Brothers is an all-union manufacturer who makes band uniforms, as well as formal men's wear, including tuxedo pants, jackets, shirts, and bow ties. Their workers are members of UNITE HERE Local 546. (demoulin.com)

Justice Clothing is a one-stop shop for union-made and sweatshop free apparel. They are constantly on the hunt for new lines, styles, and manufacturers who meet their strict criteria, and hope to add an expanded line of products in the near future, including linens, dishes, flatware and more. (justiceclothing.com)

Leather Coats Inc. is your home for leather outerwear and accessories. Check out the USA Union Made section at LeatherCoatsEtc.com. Their workers are members of UNITE HERE Local 73. (LeatherCoatsEtc.com)

Protexall is one of the only union made uniform companies around. They also carry a line of casual men's wear, including pants, shirts, and jackets. Their workers are members of UNITE HERE Local 920. (protexallinc.com)

Union Jeans has a wide selection of your everyday needs including denim shirts. Their workers are members of UFCW Local 1099. (unionjeancompany.com)

Union House sells union-made clothing made in the U.S., and offers hundreds of clothing items, from denim, golf shirts, jackets, overalls, sweats, underwear, to socks. Screen printing & embroidery available. (unionhouse.com)

This guide was compiled by SweatFree Communities, International Labor Rights Fund, United Students Against Sweatshops, Peace through Interamerican Community Action, and Sweatshop Watch. Visit the website for a list of additional organizational endorsements.